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時は○○年前。そこでいったい何が起こったのか…！

8 years ago...

ARE YOU REALLY ALRIGHT WITH THIS?
THAT IS..
BRINGING YOUR DAUGHTER ...
I'M NOT BOTHERED.
I WAS THE ONE WHO ASKED TO COME.
... OH
... MY APOLOGIES. THAT WAS IMPERTINENT OF ME.
... UGH ...
? ... HEY!
UH ...UU UU HH

あらすじ

時は11月。修学旅行を目前に控えたある日、ゆかりは心に秘めた想いを告げるため屋上にたたずむ美羽に声をかけるが、タイミング悪く綾倉がやってきてしまう。さまざまな思惑とそれぞれの想いを胸に、一行は修学旅行の地・京都へと降りたつ――

登場人物

有里真●月光館学園に転入してきた本編の主人公。ゆかりと順平の同級生。三年ぶりのイオウに誘われた際、ヘルンナ使いの能力に目覚める。

乙羽ゆかり●月光館学園2年生。真と順平の同級生。子どもの頃に亡くした父親のことを調べるために学園へと入学する。

伊織順平●月光館学園2年生。真とゆかりの同級生。転校直後の真に声をかけてきた軽いやつ。新たに選ばれた者の世話役へとやってくる。

和多美鏡●月光能学園3年生。特別課外活動部を率いる才媛。合理的な考えの持ち主で、無駄なことを嫌う。

真田将彦●月光能学園3年生。"竜滅のよっこ"特殊の町を管理し、ノットウを討伐している。現在、巨大ノットウとの戦いにより負傷中。

謎の少年●影絵師に勇の前に姿を現わし惑りかけてくる謎の少年。常に囚人服を着た姿で現れるが、彼の正体は…!?

MITSURU!?
I-IT'S A P-P-P
A PER-SONA!!

THEY EXIST...
HUMANS WHO CAN UTILIZE "PERSONA" EXIST!!

WHAT ARE YOU HAPPY FOR!?
"A NATURAL POTENTIAL HOLDER"
WHY YOUNG MISS, THAT WAS SPLENDID! YOU ARE THE FIRST...
OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT WITH THIS DISCOVERY!
WHAT KIND OF BRIGHT FUTURE IS THAT
HER MOST IMPORTANT YEARS WILL BE SPENT, CARRYING THE BURDEN WE SHOULD HAVE CARRIED
NOW MITSURU IS BOUND TO OUR DESTINY OF REPENTENCE
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, FATHER.
FATHER ...

I
NOW I CAN
WANTED THIS
PROTECT YOU
FATHER
11/17 • Tue

CHARMS KYOTO JISHU SHRINE
縁結びお守り

えんむすびの神
YOU'RE GOING TO MISS CURFEW IF YOU DON'T START HEADING BACK

THAT AND THIS PLACE FILLS UP PRETTY QUICKLY WITH COUPLES
WHY ARE YOU SO CONCERNED ABOUT ME
WE WERE DRAWN TOGETHER THROUGH BATTLE – ONE THAT HAS NOW ENDED
ALL OUR GOALS! OUR ENEMY'S! EVERYTHING HAS DISAPPEARED!!
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY MORE REASON TO LOOK AFTER ME
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TALK LIKE THAT WE STILL HAVE–
WE HAVE NO ANSWER WHAT SHOULD WE FIGHT FOR NOW?
EVERYTHING I BELIEVED IN WAS A LIE, AND

AND WHAT?
YOU COULDN'T PROTECT THE PERSON YOU WANTED TO PROTECT IS THAT IT?
I GUESS ATONING FOR THE KIRIJOU GROUP WAS ALL A LIE
FROM THE BEGINNING IT WAS ALL 'I WANT TO PROTECT MY FATHER' RIGHT!?
YES
YES, IT WAS!
I WAS CLOSEST TO HIM THIS WHOLE TIME YET I JUST LET MYSELF GET TAKEN IN AND COULDN'T DO ANYTHING TO STOP HIM!! BECAUSE OF THAT
AND LOOK HOW THAT ENDED UP!!
I LET MY
FATHER

P3 PERSONA3

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AND THAT'S THE SUMMARY OF OUR BATTLE SEVEN DAYS AGO
WE TALKED BEFORE ABOUT HOW THE SHADOWS WE'VE SEEN FALL INTO ROUGHLY 12 CATEGORIES
HMM
IT APPEARS THIS HOLDS TRUE FOR THE MASSIVE SHADOWS THAT HAVE BEEN APPEARING ON THE FULL MOONS AS WELL —SO
IT SEEMS LIKE IT STILL—
HOW FASCINATING THAT THIS ONE USED A PSYCHOLOGICAL FORM OF ATTACK
THAT THERE'S ONLY 6 LEFT
YOU ALL DID WELL —NOT— FALLING INTO IT'S TRAP

ムニュ
なぜ…

IN ANY CASE, THE REASON I GATHERED YOU HERE TODAY
HOLD ON A SECOND
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK KIRIJO SENPAI WHILE WE'RE HERE
ME?
SENPAI, AREN'T YOU 'HIDING' SOMETHING FROM US?
YOU TALK AS IF YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING BEHIND TARTARUS OR THE DARK HOUR
BUT DON'T THEY BOTH HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE EXPLOSION THAT HAPPENED NEAR THE SCHOOL AREA TEN YEARS AGO?
EXPLOSION TEN YEARS AGO? WHAT'S THAT ABOUT??

...
AROUND THAT TIME A NUMBER OF PEOPLE FELL UNCONSCIOUS AND HAD TO BE HOSPITALIZED
DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S A LITTLE TOO SIMILAR TO WHAT HAPPENED WITH FUUKA?
THERE WERE A LOT OF CASUALTIES
I LOOKED UP MORE ABOUT IT THERE WEREN'T ANY STUDENT CASUALTIES, DESPITE HOW BAD IT WAS, BUT SOMETHING ELSE IS ODD
...
WHAT REALLY DID HAPPEN TEN YEARS AGO? THIS SCHOOL WAS BUILT BY THE KIRIJOU GROUP, YOU HAVE TO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT IT, SENPAI!
I WANT TO KNOW THE TRUTH!

I DIDN'T INTEND TO HIDE ANYTHING
I DIDN'T MENTION IT BECAUSE IT WASN'T RELEVANT
コクっ…
ALRIGHT, I'LL TELL YOU ALL THEN
TO US, THEY ARE JUST ENEMIES, SO WE DON'T PAY IT MUCH MIND
BUT IF THEY COULD BE 'USED', THEY MIGHT PROVIDE AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF POWER
I BELIEVE YOU ALL KNOW THAT SHADOWS THEMSELVES POSSESS MANY DIFFERENT ABILITIES
RESEARCH HAD FOUND THAT THERE WERE THOSE EVEN ABLE TO ALTER TIME AND SPACE
WHAT
FOURTEEN YEARS AGO, A MAN ATTEMPTED TO PUT THOSE THEORIES TO THE TEST

THE FORMER HEAD OF THE KIRIJO GROUP, KIRIJOU KOUETSU
MY GRAND FATHER

KIRJOU ERGONOMICS LABORATORY
IT WAS MY GRANDFATHER WHO STARTED UP THE ERGO DIVISION

HE SOUGHT OUT SCIENTISTS TO FULFILL HIS DREAM
AND OVER SEVERAL YEARS GATHERED A LARGE AMOUNT OF SHADOWS

HE BECAME SEDUCED BY THE SHADOWS' POWER, AND WISHED TO USE IT TO CREATE UNTHINKABLE THINGS
UN-THINKABLE ?

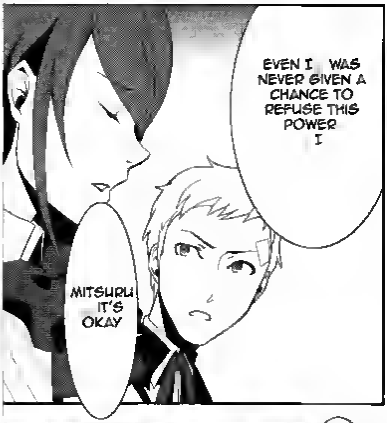
ARE YOU SERIOUS?
COLLECTED SHADOWS?
WHEN HE TRIED TO COMBINE THE TWELVE CATEGORIZED SHADOWS INTO ONE, IT CAUSED A GREAT ACCIDENT
AT THE FINAL STAGE OF THE PROJECT
YES, THE "DARK HOUR" AND "TARTARUS"...
IS THAT
CONTROL OVER THE SHADOWS WAS LOST, AND ALL THAT REMAINED WERE THEIR ABOMINABLE AFTER-EFFECTS

THE RECORDS SAY THE THE TWELVE MAIN SHADOWS SPLIT APART AND 'DISSAPPEARED'
BUT WAIT A SEC, IF THAT STORY IS ALL TRUE
YES
WOULDN'T THE EXPERIMENT HAVE TO HAVE BEEN PERFORMED AT ..!?

IT WAS DONE AT GEKKOUKAN HIGH-SCHOOL, TEN YEARS AGO
A PLACE WHERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE GATHERED AND THAT COULD BE USED TO THEIR WILL
PORT ISLAND WAS THE MOST APPROPRIATE PLACE FOR IT

SO
THE REASON ALL THOSE STUDENTS WERE HOSPITALIZED
THEN THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF THIS CLUB
WAS TO GET US INVOLVED IN YOUR 'CLEAN UP' EFFORTS!??

I ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR HOLDING BACK INFORMATION
BUT
MY REASON FOR DRAGGING YOU ALL INTO THIS IS BETTER THAN YOU'RE THINKING
TAKE IT AS YOU WILL
WHAT! ARE YOU REALLY JUST USING US ALL THEN!?


EVEN I WAS NEVER GIVEN A CHANCE TO REFUSE THIS POWER
I
MITSURU IT'S OKAY

TAKEBA -KUN
THE RESPONSIBILITY LIES WITH ADULTS OF THE PAST

UNFAIR OR NOT, WE "PERSONA USERS" ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN FIGHT THIS
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY

AND THEY'VE ALL LOST THEIR LIVES THROUGH THE RESULT OF THEIR ACTIONS
THERE IS NO ONE LEFT TO BLAME
WE'VE ALL BEEN LEFT RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING THIS MATTER

IF THE TWELVE SHADOWS WERE 'THE BESINNING OF EVERYTHING'
THEN DEFEATING THEM ALL WILL BRING EVERYTHING TO IT'S END

BUT
I REALLY DO NOT KNOW WHY THE SHADOWS HAVE BEGUN TO AWAKEN AFTER THESE TEN YEARS
BUT NOW THAT THEY HAVE, WE CAN FIND THEM, AND DEFEAT THEM

THERE ARE STILL MANY MYSTERIES TO TARTARUS ITSELF WHY DID SUCH A HUGE TOWER APPEAR
AHD REGARDLESS OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU ARE PROTECTING PEOPLE
WHAT YOU HAVE DONE SO FAR IS NOT POINTLESS YOU HAVE ALL BEEN MAGNIFICENT
THERE ARE STILL MANY "ANSWERS" LEFT WE DO NOT KNOW
IT'S ME MAY I HAVE A MINUTE?
AH
YES, COME IN

HMPH
.....
IT SEEMS
BACKUP IN BATTLE IS NOT YOUR ONLY SPECIALTY
AH .
SO YOU FIGURED IT OUT
I'M SORRY
NO, IT'S ALRIGHT I'M GLAD YOU HAVE THOSE SKILLS, IN FACT, I HAVE A FAVOR FOR YOU
I WANT YOU TO FIND OUT EVERYTHING YOU CAN ABOUT THE INCIDENT 10 YEARS AGO
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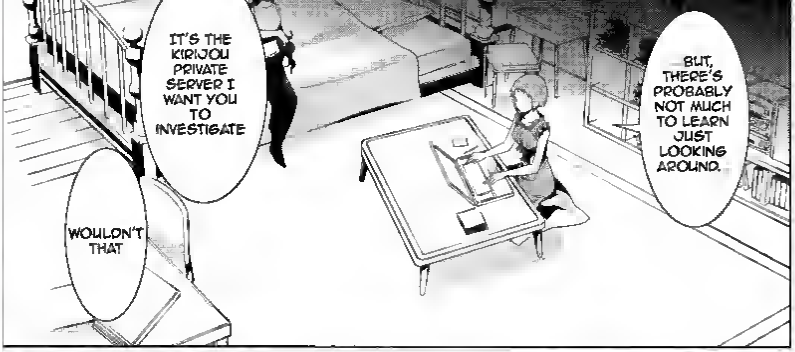
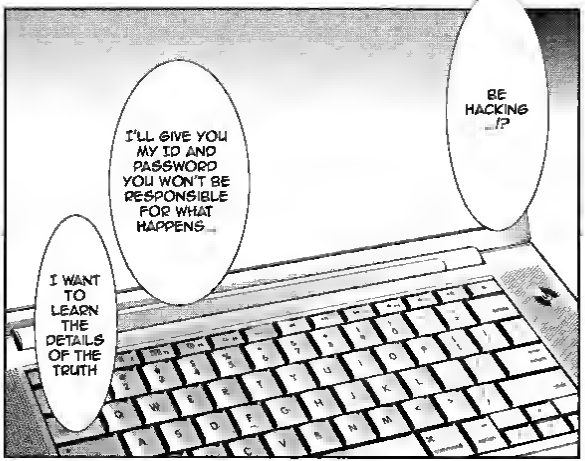
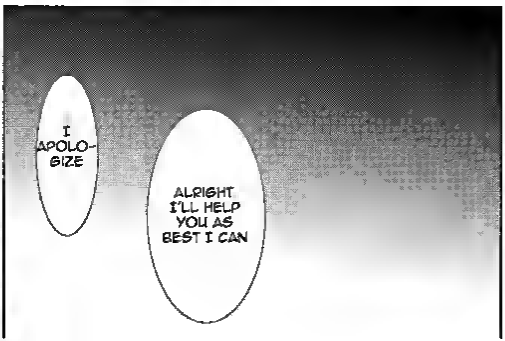

IT'S THE KIRIJOU PRIVATE SERVER I WANT YOU TO INVESTIGATE
WOULDN'T THAT
...BUT, THERE'S PROBABLY NOT MUCH TO LEARN JUST LOOKING AROUND...

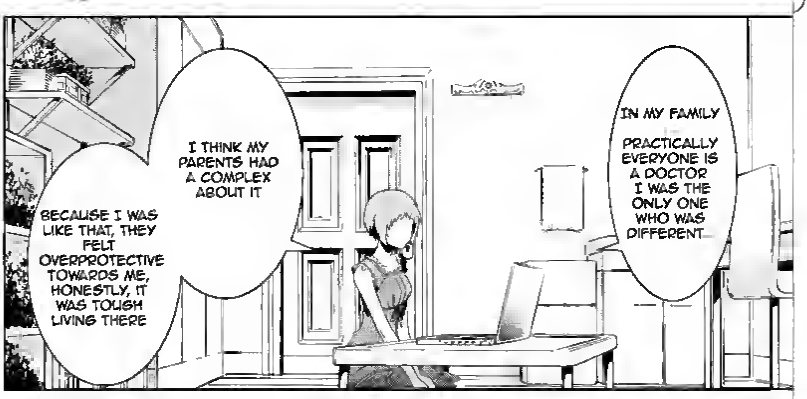
SENPAI...


I WANT TO LEARN THE DETAILS OF THE TRUTH
I'LL GIVE YOU MY ID AND PASSWORD YOU WON'T BE RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENS...
BE HACKING...!?

YAMAGISHI, AREN'T YOU...


I APOLOGIZE
ALRIGHT I'LL HELP YOU AS BEST I CAN

BOTHERED BY THIS?
NO MATTER MY REASONS, I GOT YOU ALL INVOLVED WHILE HIDING THINGS FROM YOU
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY REGRETS?
NOT AT ALL


IN MY FAMILY PRACTICALLY EVERYONE IS A DOCTOR I WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO WAS DIFFERENT
I THINK MY PARENTS HAD A COMPLEX ABOUT IT
BECAUSE I WAS LIKE THAT, THEY FELT OVERPROTECTIVE TOWARDS ME, HONESTLY, IT WAS TOUGH LIVING THERE

BUT HERE, THERE ARE THINGS THAT ONLY I CAN DO
AND PEOPLE WHO NEED ME FOR THAT
I HAVE NO REGRETS AT ALL

OH, I
NO ONE COULD REPLACE YOU
WE REALLY DO NEED YOU
SORRY FOR INTER-RUPTING YOU
I OWE YOU ONE

ALL MY SUSPICIONS ARE COMING TRUE IN THE WORST WAYS
MAYBE IT REALLY WAS SILLY TO BELIEVE WITHOUT ANY PROOF
DAD
I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW MANY TIMES IN THE LAST YEAR
THAT I'VE RE-READ THIS LETTER
The cafeteria will be closing in 30 minutes
Attention dorm students
OH?
2009
3/ 7 • Sat

DAMN
NEVERMIND
HEY, YUKARI! THERE YOU ARE WE DIDN'T SEE YOU IN YOUR ROOM
YEAH
SORRY
HEY WHAT'S WITH YOUR BAGS
WE'LL LET IT SLIDE FOR TODAY
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN BACK TO YOUR ROOM AT ALL SINCE CLASS?
HUH

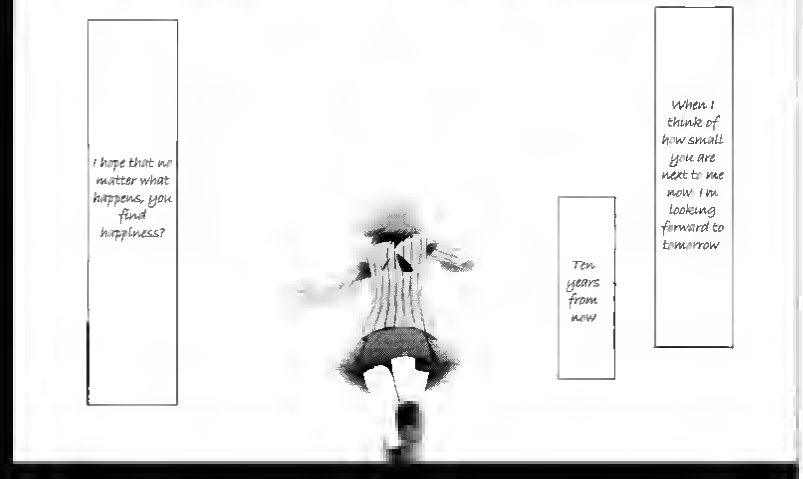
ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN ZONED THERE?
I GUESS NOT
IT'S JUST ...
HOW CAN I SAY IT
SORRY TO WORRY YOU, I'M FINE
NO, THAT'S NOT IT
FOUR WHOLE YEARS SINCE I GOT HERE
IT'S REALLY BEEN

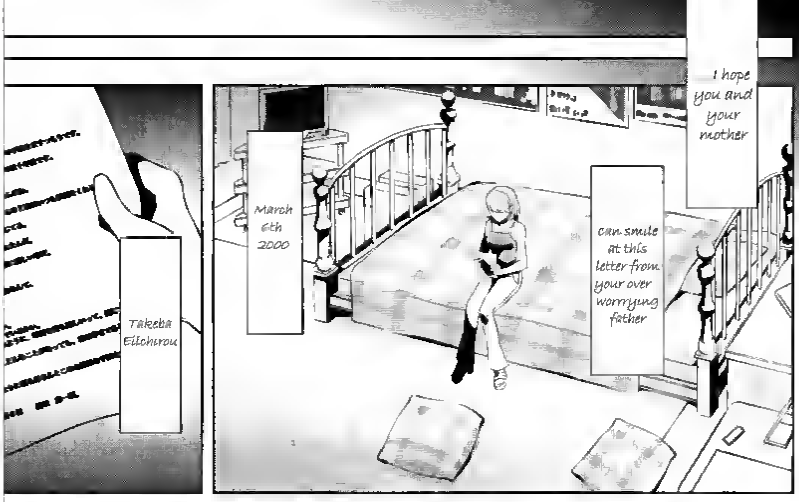
WELL, DON'T FRET BOUT IT SO MUCH AND LET'S JUST GIVE IT OUR ALL
YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT
FRESHMEN DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT EITHER BEFORE OUR HIGH SCHOOL LIVES ARE OVER
YEAH... OUR YOUTH IS GONE IN A FLASH
MAYBE, IT'S TIME TO JUST GIVE UP...
AND IT'S BEEN ... TEN YEARS ALREADY ...
... IN A FLASH
IT REALLY DOES
I SHOULD'VE FIGURED JUST GOING HERE WOULDN'T LET ME LEARN MORE ABOUT DAD...

TAKEBA-SAN?
ARE YOU TAKEBA, THE FRESHMAN?
OH GOOD, WE'VE RECEIVED A LETTER FOR YOU
I'M SORRY IT'S LATE, IT ACTUALLY CAME YESTERDAY
BUT THE TRANSFER STAMPS WERE MARKED 3 OR 4 TIMES OVER YOUR NAME
AND WE COULDN'T READ IT.
AH?
IT SAYS IT'S FROM "TAKEBA EIICHIROU"
WHAT
IS THAT A RELATIVE?
BUT, THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE...

To my family, in ten years
I am planning on sending this letter at the Moonlight Bridge opening ceremony tomorrow
TEN YEARS AGO?
I will put this letter in the time capsule to be opened 10 years from now
THE ANNIVERSARY OF MOONLIGHT BRIDGE'S OPENING
DAD ...
Ten years
Yukari will be sixteen. My little girl will already be in high school
I always made you lonely when I had to leave for work, but you always gave me a smile
You make my time working worth it
"Kuryo san has made me the head researcher
We're off to something big right from the start. I'm honestly honored to be trusted with so much

EXCUSE ME? YOU NEED TO SIGN FOR THAT
Yukari are you enjoying your life?
TAKEA-SAN!
But I promise you there is nothing more important to me
KIRIJO LABOR-ATORY
Than the future happiness of you and your mother
You need to have hope before you can move forward


I hope that no matter what happens, you find happiness?
Ten years from now
When I think of how small you are next to me now I'm looking forward to tomorrow

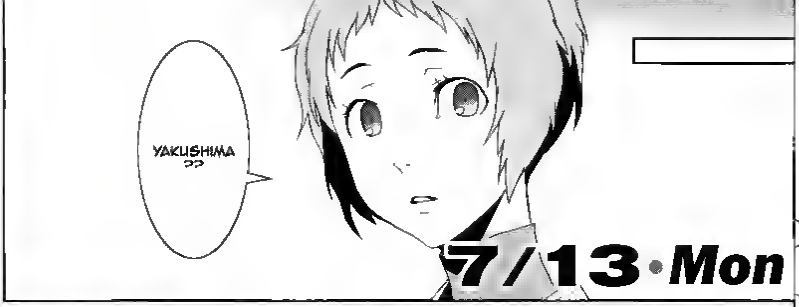

I hope you and your mother
March 6th 2000
can smile at this letter from your over worrying father
Takeba Eiichirou

I WON'T RUN AWAY
NOT LIKE MOM DID
I SWEAR
THEN
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS
I JUST HAVE TO BELIEVE IN HIM

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE OUR FIRST MEETING
TIME SEEMS TO PASS SO QUICKLY
WE MEET AGAIN

I'VE REMEMBERED A BIT MORE ABOUT THE "END" THAT IS COMING
THE REASON FOR IT HAPPENED A LONG TIME AGO
YEAH IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY
10 YEARS AGO.

HEY
DIDN'T YOUR PARENTS DIE
10 YEARS AGO AS WELL?
BUT, I'M STILL HERE WITH YOU, NO MATTER WHAT...
SO NO PERSONA USER CAN FLEE FROM THEIR 'TRUE' SELF
... A PERSONA IS LIKE A 'MIRROR' OF IT'S USER
BECAUSE WE'RE FRIENDS


YAKUSHIMA ??

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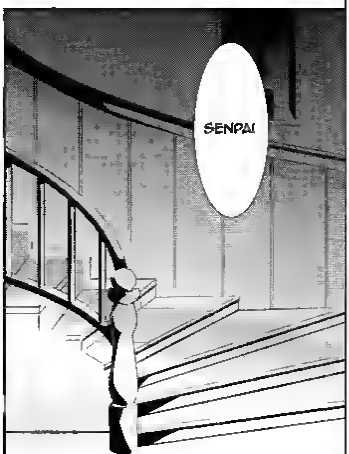
YES I HAVE A FEW THINGS TO DO AT THE RE-SEARCH LAB ON THE ISLAND
YOU ALL HAVE VACATION ONCE YOUR MID-TERMS ARE OVER, COR-RECT?
HOW ABOUT IT? A LITTLE CHANGE OF MOOD

I BELIEVE YOUR FATHER IS ALSO CURRENTLY TAKING HIS VACATION AT YAKUSHIMA, KIRIJO-KUN ?
SERIOUSLY?! WE'RE GOING ON A TRIP?!

OCEAN! -THE- OCEAN!!
UGH
AND BATHING SUITS! BA-THING -SUITS!!
BUT
I DON'T WANT TO INTERRUPT MY FATHER'S VACATION
EH? UHM
HMPH?
I BET IT'S SO PRETTY, I'D LOVE TO GO TOO
AH... SANADA-SENPAI, ARISATO-KUN, WOULDN'T YOU TWO LIKE TO GO SEE THE OCEAN?



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8年前の出来事を知る美鶴の父は何を語るのだろうか!?